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Attorney Docket No. STK-077

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Examiner : J. Seharaseyon
Group Art Unit : 1647
Applicants : Hermann Oppermann, et al.
Application No. : 09/374,936 Confirmation No. : 4340
Filed : August 16, 1999
For : MODIFIED PROTEINS AND DNAs OF THE TGF- β
SUPERFAMILY, INCLUDING MODIFIED
MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

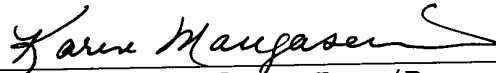
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Official Action dated November 19, 2002. With the extension, a response is due on or before March 19, 2003. A check in the amount of \$930.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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